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**From:** King, Bob (Begich) [[Bob\\_King@begich.senate.gov](mailto:Bob_King@begich.senate.gov)]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 28, 2013 12:41 PM  
**To:** Maier, Brent  
**Cc:** McDaniel, Doug; Rollins, Christopher; Jones, Joel E.; Snyder, Raquel  
**Subject:** Re: Cutter Storis - Follow Up Regarding Potential Call with EPA Region IX

Thanks Brent. Got your v/m but am stuck in staff meeting. Might I suggest 10 am PT tomorrow for the call. 11 PT would also work. Thanks getting back. My direct here in DC is 202-224-0319.

Thanks

Bob King

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

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**From:** Maier, Brent  
**Sent:** Monday, October 28, 2013 3:31 PM  
**To:** King, Bob (Begich)  
**Cc:** McDaniel, Doug; Rollins, Christopher; Jones, Joel E.; Snyder, Raquel  
**Subject:** Cutter Storis - Follow Up Regarding Potential Call with EPA Region IX

Bob –

Your message to Arvin Ganesan in EPA HQ was redirected to our San Francisco Regional Office. I left you a voicemail and if you have some time available on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, we could set up a call to discuss what our office knows regarding the Coast Guard Cutter Storis. Colleagues in our Enforcement Division's Waste Section as well as my counterpart in HQ Congressional would be the participants in this discussion. Please let me know what time(s) you might have available on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> and I can follow up with you to confirm.

Regards,

*Brent Maier*

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**Sent:** Monday, October 28, 2013 9:08 AM  
**To:** Ganesan, Arvin  
**Cc:** Rollins, Christopher  
**Subject:** Cutter Storis

Arvin,

I understand the EPA is in contact with Pacific Tugboat company of San Diego regarding the decommissioned Coast Guard Cutter STORIS. The company is towing the WWII vintage cutter to Ensenada, Mexico for scrapping.

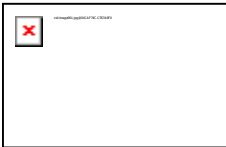
We have been provided information that the cutter is not PCB-free as had been previously considered. A 2000 inspection found encapsulated PCBs above 50 ppm were detected in at least two samples of foam insulation. I am told that export of such a contamination is prohibited by Toxic Substances Control Act and the Basel Convention.

Senator Begich has a long standing interest in this vessel. We hope EPA considers this information seriously before determining its disposition.

Can you please inform me of the current status of the STORIS tow and any change in its status.

Thank you,

Bob King  
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Arctic, Oceans, Fisheries, Coast Guard  
Office of U.S. Senator Mark Begich  
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